



SURGERY IN THE FIELD.
A German Draws Professional Morals
From Transvaal Experiences.
Berlin Correspondence of the London Standard.
Dr. Johann Reinecke, who acted as
field surgeon to the Boers during the war,
has had the degree of doctor of medicine
conferred upon him by Berlin University.
He chose as the subject for his doctor's
dissertation, "Some Critical Notes on the

cedure founded on Prof. Bergmann's doctrine, that wounds inflicted by small metal projectiles are not to be considered as infected, but as lesions pure and simple. The surgeon ought, therefore, to suppress his scientific curiosity, and not touch the wound with the probe or with his hands, but to clean it with spirit and apply an aseptic bandage. The care of the bones and injured joints care is to be taken that the respective extremities are immobilized. Care in carrying the patients to the nearest field hospital is also important, as well as, if possible, absolute repose for the first four or five days. There will, of

have placed it beyond doubt that the first bandaging is of decisive importance, especially in cases of grave injuries to the head, abdomen, joints and bones.

For this conservative method of surgical treatment the Boers were just the proper material. They bore up bravely to their injuries with stoical calm. One Johannesburg commander who, in the battle at Pieter's Hill, on February 27, 1900, had been shot through the left lung above the heart and also through the right upper arm, was taken to a neighboring hospital soon after he was wounded. The following night the wound flared, and next morning an English doctor found him dead.

burg commander. He got up at night, spanned a wagon with four mules, and placed a young field cornet, who was covering the wagon on the rear. The commander had to drive the wagon and the whip himself. After a week's traveling, during which time they were obliged to make a long detour to evade another English patrol, they arrived at Dr. Reincke's field hospital on Van Rensen's Pass. The strain of the journey had apparently not done them any special harm, as, owing to the excellence of the first bandaging, the treatment of healing had gone on uninterrupted."

Atmosphere, is much inferior to its effect when used in the damp atmosphere of the tropics, where it is much more effective. In England, when Lydite did take effect, however, the results were most curious. On January 17, 1900, a foggy day, two Free Staters were killed near the Tugela by the explosion of such a bomb without showing the slightest injury. At other times Boers were thrown down unconscious, remaining for a longer or shorter period in a comatose condition, and gradually regained consciousness, and were extremely excited on their recovery, suffering from terrible headache, as well as from pains in the spine and extremities.

GUILTY.
From the Philadelphia Press.
"Hello!" said Ascum to Littleton, whom he meets in the market. "After something nice?"
"Eh?" stammered Littleton, blushing guiltily.
"I just saw you looking at those peaches."
"Say, they were peaches, weren't they? Did you notice the one with the big brown eyes?"

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